

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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For: PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOUNDS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fees and initial examination of the application, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 3-5 and 7-10 as follows. A copy of the marked up original claims is attached to this response showing the changes as set forth in amended 37 CFR 1.121. ✓

a 1 3. (Amended) Compounds according to claim 1, wherein in formula (III) Y^3 is selected from the following:

